

Grammar revision

Permission: *can, could, be allowed to*

1 Complete the text. Use the words in the box.

can could were allowed
'm allowed aren't allowed
wasn't allowed ~~couldn't~~ can't

Roddy Williamson tells us about life as a solo singer after being in the pop group *Take This*.

I was 18 when I joined the group and our manager made all the rules. We **couldn't** choose our own style, although we (1) to make a few decisions. We always had to protect the image of the band, so, for example, I (2) to go out and have fun at parties. All I (3) do was smile and say nice things to people. I hated it, but I knew I needed the experience before going solo.

Then the band split up and suddenly I was free to do what I wanted. Now I (4) choose my own style of music and clothes. There's nobody saying 'You have to do this and you (5) to do that'. Obviously, I (6) go around behaving like an idiot all the time because nobody will buy my records – but now I (7) to go crazy at parties, and I love it!

2 Imagine that you are 21 and famous. Complete the sentences.

When I was 16, before I was famous, ...

I could **walk along the street in peace**.

1 I wasn't allowed to

2 I couldn't

Now I'm 21 and famous ...

3 I'm allowed to

4 I can

5 I can't

Obligation: *have to and must*

3 Complete the sentences. Use *have to, has to, don't have to, doesn't have to and mustn't*.



Mandy works in a supermarket on the delicatessen counter. She **has to** wear a white coat and apron. All the women on the counter (1) put their hair in a special hair net under their hats. The men (2) wear hair nets, unless they've got very long hair! They only (3) wear hats.

Mandy (4) wear plastic gloves when she's touching cheese and meat. This means she (5) wash her hands after serving a customer.

Mandy often gets hungry when she sees all the food, but she (6) eat anything while she's serving. She (7) to wait for her lunch break. She (8) bring sandwiches with her because the supermarket provides lunch for the staff.

4 Imagine that you and your friends are having a party. Write five suggestions that will make it a success. Use *have to / don't have to or must / mustn't*.

You must bring something to drink.

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